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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, FEBRUARY 29, 2000

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, ex rel.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

ROBERT E. LEE JONES, JR.

CASE NO. PUC990157

V.

MCI WORLDCOM NETWORK SERVICES OF VIRGINIA, INC.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, ex rel.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

JEFFREY D. BARNES

CASE NO. PUC990246

V.

MCI WORLDCOM NETWORK SERVICES OF VIRGINIA, INC.

ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS FOR EXTENSION

On February 23, 2000, and February 24, 2000, the Virginia Department of Corrections (DOC), by counsel, and MCI WorldCom Network Services of Virginia, Inc. (MCIW), by counsel, respectively, filed motions for an extension of time to file their responses to the complaints filed in this proceeding. The Commission's Order of February 4, 2000, directed MCIW and invited DOC to file a response on or before February 29, 2000,

and permitted the complainants to file a reply to these responses on or before March 16, 2000. DOC and MCIW have each requested an extension of thirty (30) days in which to file their responses. In support of their requests, each movant cites certain delays in counsel receiving the Commission's February 4, 2000, Order and the complaints. In addition, DOC states that the Attorney General is currently engaged in an ongoing evaluative process to determine whether to obtain outside counsel for the DOC.

NOW THE COMMISSION, in consideration of the motions, finds that the requests are not unreasonable and should be granted.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The date by which responses to the complaints must be filed is extended from February 29, 2000, to March 29, 2000.
- (2) The date by which complainants may file a reply to the responses to be filed herein shall be extended from March 16, 2000, to April 19, 2000.
- (3) This matter is continued for further orders of the Commission.